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To: Forest Service Supervisors (Regions 1, 4, 6), USDI Fish & Wildlife Service Field Supervisors (Region 1), USDI Bureau of Land Management District/Field Managers (OR/WA, ID, and MT), and NOAA Fisheries State Directors and Branch Chiefs (Northwest Region)

Subject: Announcement of Section 7 Endangered Species Act Streamlined Consultation Summits

The purpose of this memorandum is to announce two Interagency Section 7 Endangered Species Act (ESA) Streamlined Consultation Summits. The objectives of these training summits are to:

- Enhance and Strengthen Interagency Relationships
- Provide General Information on Section 7 Consultation and the Streamlining Process
- Better Define the Role of Managers/Lines Officers in the Process
- Identify Issues and Concerns of Local Streamlining Teams and Managers/Line Officers
- Update and Recommit to the Streamlining Process
- Provide General Information on the New Counterpart Regulations and on the Northwest National Fire Plan Consultation Process

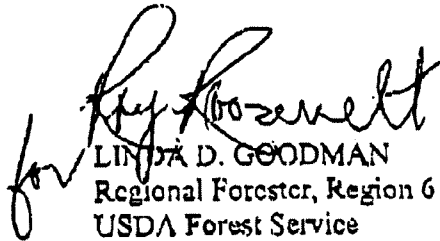
These interagency training summits are specifically designed and targeted for Level 1 and 2 teams and line officers/managers. **Our expectation is that all Level 1 and 2 teams will choose to participate in these summits, as well as the majority of the line officers/managers for their respective units.**

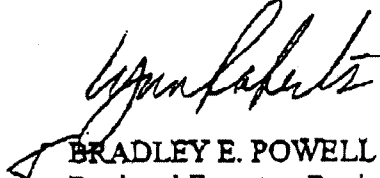
The first summit will be held in Boise, Idaho on February 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> (See Attachment 1). The second summit will be held in Portland, Oregon on March 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> (See Attachment 2). The speakers listed on the attached draft agendas are invited speakers and are subject to change. Specific locations and hotel information is contained in Attachment 3. All participants should review the Interagency Streamlined Section 7 ESA Consultation guidance located at [www.or.blm.gov/esa](http://www.or.blm.gov/esa) prior to attending these training summits.

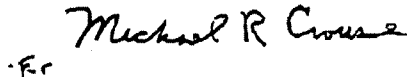
If you have any questions or comments regarding these training summits please contact either Bill LeVere, Forest Service, at (801)-625-5669; Russ Strach, NOAA Fisheries, at (503)-231-6266; Jon Foster, Bureau of Land Management, at (208)-373-3813; or Wendi Weber, Fish & Wildlife Service, at (503)-231-6158.

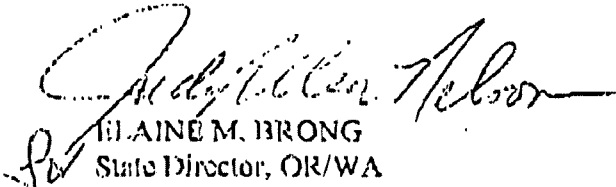
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